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SUBJECT: GOLDWASSER AFFAIR

1. BOTH BOTSWANA DAILY NEWS AND BULAWAYO CHRONICLE ARE HEAD-LINING STORY OF RHODESIAN BUSINESSMAN AND FORMER BULAWAYO MAYOR AND PRESENT ALDERMAN, MR. JURICK GOLDWASSER, WHO ON JULY 31, PILOTED HIS PRIVATE PLANE TO GABORONE UNDER "MYSTERIOUS" CIRCUMSTANCES. ACCORDING TO ACCOUNTS, GOLDWASSER TOLD REPORTERS HE WAS FORCED TO LAND IN GABORONE AFTER HIS PLANE DEVELOPED AN ELECTRICAL FAULT. ON THE OTHER HAND, HE CLAIMED HE WAS AS OPPONENT OF THE SMITH GOVERNMENT AND HAD BEEN MAKING PREPARATIONS TO EMIGRATE. HE WAS HINDERED FROM DOING SO WHEN HIS PASSPORT WAS CONFISCATED BY RHODESIAN SPECIAL BRANCH. GOLDWASSER LEFT HIS WIFE BEHIND IN BULAWAYO.

2. CHRONICLE: HEADLINE STORY AUGUST 3 CARRIES INTERVIEW WITH GOB CABINET SECRETARY STEENKAMP WHO SAID THAT GOLDWASSER WAS CONSIDERED A REFUGEE AND WOULD BE TREATED THE SAME AS ANYONE ELSE. STEENKAMP ADDED THAT AS FAR AS HE KNEW GOLDWASSER HAD FLOWN DELIBERATELY TO GABORONE AND NOT BY ACCIDENT. THE ARTICLE FURTHER CARRIES U.K. HIGH COMMISSION SPOKESMAN'S ADMISSION THAT GOLD-
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WASSER HAD EARLIER APPLIED FOR BRITISH PASSPORT HERE.

COMMENT: IF GOLDWASSER HAS ABANDONED RHODESIA, AS SEEMS TO BE THE CASE, IT IS NOT THE FIRST SUCH INCIDENT OF A PROMINENT WHITE RHODESIAN DOING SO IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS.
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